

## **U.S.** Department of Justice

United States Attorney Southern District of New York

86 Chambers Street New York, New York 10007

June 18, 2024

## **By ECF**

The Honorable Paul A. Engelmayer Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse 40 Foley Square New York, NY 10007

Re: Reclaim the Records v. United States Citizenship and Immigration Services,

23 Civ. 1997 (PAE)

Dear Judge Engelmayer:

This Office represents United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (the "Government"), defendant in this action brought pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 ("FOIA"). We write to inform the Court that, despite the parties' best efforts, they have been unable to resolve plaintiffs' "policy and practice" claim. The Government therefore intends to file a motion to dismiss that claim. With plaintiffs' consent, we write respectfully to propose the following briefing schedule, which accommodates counsel's vacation schedules and would provide the parties sufficient time to brief the issues:

- Opening papers due 8/16/2024
- Opposition papers due 9/13/2024
- Reply papers due 10/4/2024

We thank the Court for its consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

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